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(IFAD)

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1. MINISTER ANSARY'S COMMENTS ON IRANIAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO
IFAD AT VARIANCE WITH DEPARTMENT'S SCORECARD ON IFAD
PLEDGES. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION WHICH OPEC SPECIAL FUND
PROVIDED MAY 6 TO UN, IRANIAN SHARE OF \$400 MILLION OPEC
SPECIAL FUND PLEDGE IS \$104.75 MILLION PER OPEC SPECIAL FUND
RESOLUTION NO. 4. THIS PLUS RECENT \$20 MILLION CONTRIBUTIO
GIVES TOTAL \$124.75 MILLION IRANIAN PLEDGE.

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2. DIFFERENCE IN ANSARY'S FIGURES AND OURS MAY STEM IN PART FROM FACT THAT \$20 MILLION PLEDGE ANNOUNCED MAY 2 (SEE REF B) MAY HAVE BEEN SUBSUMED IN IRANIAN COMPONENT OF OPEC SPECIAL FUND PLEDGE. HOWEVER, THIS STILL DOES NOT EXPLAIN \$5.25 MILLION DIFFERENCE BETWEEN \$130 MILLION AND \$124.75 MILLION FIGURES.

3. WE ARE GRATIFIED TO LEARN OF IRAN'S MOST RECENT PLEDGE AND DO NOT WISH HARASS THE IRANIANS. IF HOWEVER APPROPRIATE OCCASION ARISES YOU ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN

INFORMAL CLARIFICATION OF THIS DIFFERENCE WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS. ROBINSON

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